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Case 8414Q

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of
Sprengard-Eichel et al. :
Serial No. 09/778,375 : Group Art Unit:3761
Filed: February 7th, 2001 : Examiner: Not Assigned

Title: ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH THERMAL CELL ACTUATOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above identified application as follows:

In the Specification

Please replace Page 6 Paragraph 2 with the following amended paragraph:

A | In any case, at least a portion of the backsheet has low breathability, specifically has a water pore transmission rate, WVTR, of less than about 2600 g/m²/day. The portion of the backsheet with low WVTR may coincide with at least a portion of the absorbent core. A detailed description of WVTR can be found in P&G Case 2375Q, entitled Disposable Absorbent Articles Having Reduced Evaporation from the Core, filed June 21st, 2000, in the names of Schmidt et al.